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Washington, District of Columbia 20231

Sir:

Please file the following enclosed patent application papers:

Applicant #1, Name: James T. Byers

Applicant #2, Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Computer System that Provides the Digitized Human Fingerprint as Electronic

☒ Specification, Claims, and Abstract: Nr. of Sheets 13 Signature for Digital Contracts

☒ Declaration: Date Signed: October 17, 2001

☒ Drawing(s): Nr. of Sheets Enc.: Formal: 3 Informal: \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Applicant Qualifies for and Claims Small Entity Status

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☐ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449, and listed references.

☐ Disclosure Document Program reference letter.

☐ Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §119(e)(i), applicant(s) claim priority of Provisional Patent Application Ser. Nr. \_\_\_\_\_  
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☒ Return Receipt Postcard Addressed to Applicant #1.

☐ **Request Under MPEP § 707.07(j):** The undersigned, a pro se applicant, respectfully requests that if the Examiner finds patentable subject matter disclosed in this application, but feels that Applicant's present claims are not entirely suitable, the Examiner draft one or more allowable claims for applicant.

☒ **Request for Non-Publication:** The undersigned requests that this application not be published 18 months after filing under 35 USC 122(6)(1). The undersigned certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country or under a multilateral international agreement that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing. The undersigned understands that if this application is filed in a foreign country or under such a multilateral international agreement, the PTO must be notified of such filing or the application will be regarded as abandoned.

Very respectfully,

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Fee Transmittal

First-Named Applicant James T. Byers  
Title of Invention: "Computer System that Provides the Digitized Human Fingerprint as Electronic Signature for Digital Contracts"  
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